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JOINT STATE- DEFENSE MESSAGE

1. GIVEN INDICATION RECEIVED BY BRITISH (REFTEL A) THAT DELAY UNTIL MAY 28 IN NEW PASS REQUIREMENT APPLIES TO ALL THREE MLMS, USMLM SHOULD PROCEED WITH NORMAL ACTIVITIES ON THIS ASSUMPTION. ANY SOVIET RESTRICTIVE MEASURES SHOULD BE REPORTED BY IMMEDIATE CABLE.

2. WE ENDORSE TRIPARTITE RECOMMENDATION THAT NO ACTION BE TAKEN AGAINST SOVIET MLMS IN WEST GERMANY UNTIL FURTHER EFFORTS ARE MADE TO RESOLVE DOCUMENTATION QUESTION THROUGH DIRECT DISCUSSIONS WITH SOVIETS. INITIAL ALLIED PRESENTATION TO SERB SHOULD BE ALONG LINES SUGGESTED IN DRAFT TEXT CONTAINED IN PARA 8, REFTEL C- COPY OF THIS STATEMENT MAY BE LEFT WITH SERB AS " NON- PAPER."

3. IF SERB RESPONDS TO PRESENTATION BY STATING THAT THE SOVIETS INTEND NO CHANGE IN EXISTING PRACTICES AND PROCEDURES, TRIPARTITE MLMS SHOULD REQUEST EXPLICIT ASSURANCES ON THIS POINT, WHICH SHOULD BE SENT TO CAPITALS UPON

RECEIPT.

4. DURING INITIAL CONVERSATION WITH SERB AUTHORIZED IN ABOVE PARAS, MLMS SHOULD NOT BE DRAWN INTO SUBSTANTIVE DISCUSSION OF POINTS WE WOULD LIKE CHANGED IN WORDING OF NEW PASSES.

5. (FYI. AT THIS STAGE, WE ARE INCLINED TO AGREE WITH TRIPARTITE BONN CONCLUSIONS THAT: (A) REFERENCE IN NEW PASSES TO GDR IS NOT NECESSARILY HARMFUL; (B) WE WILL NOT, IN THE FINAL ANALYSIS, BE ABLE TO DICTATE TO THE SOVIETS WHO SIGNS INDIVIDUAL PASSES, BUT WE RECOGNIZE THE IMPORTANCE OF PRESERVING OUR ROTATING PERSONNEL SYSTEM; (C) A MAJOR PROBLEM WITH WORDING OF NEW PASSES IS POSSIBLE LIMITATION ON CROSSING POINTS.

6. FOR FUTURE REFERENCE, DEPT. WOULD APPRECIATE DESCRIPTION OF LANGUAGE NOW USED ON PASSES ISSUED TO SOVIET
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MLMS BY THE THREE POWERS. RUSH

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